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& LIONE****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re Appln. of: **Scott E. Boatman, et al.**Appln. No.: **10/813,415**Filed: **March 30, 2004**For: **Medical Device Including Unitary,
Continuous Portion of Varying Durometer**Attorney Docket No: **8627-453**Examiner: **Unknown**Art Unit: **3763**Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please advise as to when Applicant may expect to receive an Office Action in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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